TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 281 - HB 955

March 11, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires the court to prohibit a juvenile who is adjudicated delinquent or placed on probation for conduct, that if committed by an adult, would constitute the offense of rape, aggravated rape, rape of a child or aggravated rape of a child from accepting employment or volunteering in any capacity that the juvenile knows or should have known could result in direct contact with a minor.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004606): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the substantive changes are to: (1) specify the requirement is only for a child who is adjudicated delinquent for such conduct; (2) specify the employment or volunteer prohibition is for any capacity that the child knows or should have known will cause the child to be in close and frequent contact with a minor until the child reaches 18 years of age; (3) specify such prohibition does not prohibit a child from accepting employment or volunteering in a position that involves incidental contact with minors; (4) specify that such condition of probation is required to remain in effect until the child is 18; and (5) prohibit a child from being placed on judicial diversion if the delinquent act alleged is conduct, that if committed by an adult, would constitute first degree murder, second degree murder, rape, aggravated rape, aggravated sexual battery, rape of a child, aggravated rape of a child, aggravated robbery, especially aggravated robbery, kidnapping, aggravated kidnapping, or especially aggravated kidnapping.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

• Passage of this legislation will not significantly increase the number of juveniles being committed to the Department of Children's Services (DCS); therefore, any fiscal impact to DCS is not significant.

• Any impact to the court system resulting from the proposed legislation will be accommodated utilizing existing judicial resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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